House Resolution No. 4952

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those local organizations which are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in rural areas of the Show-Me State; and

Whereas, Audrain County Farm Bureau officers, employees, and members were honored at the Missouri Farm Bureau annual meeting on December 8, 2003, with the President's Gold Star Award in light of their exemplary involvement in local promotions of agriculture and political events; and

Whereas, County President Barbara Wilson accepted the President's Gold Star Award plaque from Missouri Farm Bureau President Charles Kruse on behalf of the Audrain County organization; and

Whereas, for the past six years, Audrain County Farm Bureau has had continuous membership growth with its 2003 roster listing 706 members, an impressive number which exceeded the organization's quota by three percent; and

Whereas, Audrain County Farm Bureau accomplished its membership growth through a combination of active recruitment, letters to new members, and radio and newspaper advertisements promoting the benefits of belonging to the agriculturally-oriented organization; and

Whereas, during 2003 Audrain County Farm Bureau sponsored a Meet-the-Candidate forum, a Food Checkout Day at area grocery stores, information on soybean products at the Mexico Soybean Festival, a farm safety booth at the County 4-H Fair, and donations to Ronald McDonald House, the Foundation for Agriculture, and political candidates; and

Whereas, Audrain County Farm Bureau also attained distinction at the Missouri Farm Bureau annual meeting through the well-deserved receipt of six Gold Stars and a Second Place finish for District 3 in the Special Project category of competition:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the year-long accomplishments associated with the programs and personnel of the Audrain County Farm Bureau and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon receiving the Missouri Farm Bureau President's Gold Star Award of Excellence as the top county in the state; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Audrain County Farm Bureau.

Offered by	
	Representative Steve Hobbs
	District No. 21

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4952, adopted January 7, 2004.